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It is true that several weeks ago, the market was pretty well supplied. The early spring mackerel of the early spring catch sold slow and went as low as a barrel. There was but little demand for Cape Shores and when the more catch came along, the trade commenced to look up a little.

Some few weeks ago, about 4000 barrels were on hand here. A leading Philadelphia dealer was here and looked over the situation. He could probably have bought most of the fish at \$13 to \$14 a barrel at that time, but would not take the chance.

With the outbreak of war in Europe, things changed and the whole mackerel situation has been revolutionized. The Norway and Irish export trade to this country has ceased, the fishermen in the North Sea have been obliged to haul up and return home. With light stocks on hand, the New York and Boston jobbers found themselves in a plight and after cleaning up their stocks, have been obliged to turn to the American production.

#### Predict Even Higher Prices.

"On account of the light receipts, the better quality of fish and big demand occasioned both by local consumption and the cut off of the European supply, the dealers say that it is as plain as A B C that the inevitable must be met by a rise in prices, which the fishermen are demanding and seem to have no difficulty in obtaining. That the end is not in sight, unless the fall catch should prove far ahead of the normal, is evident, and the prediction is made that salt mackerel price will reach one of the high water marks in the history of the mackerel fishery."

As to the codfish trade, the Times man was unable to ascertain an instance where there had been any jump. Prices are about the same as last October, with no indications of an extraordinary rise, unless there should be a big shortage in the supply. The situation at the present time is most promising with good sized stocks on hand.

#### Fish Low at Fulton Market

There was an abundance of low priced fish last week, the crafts bringing nearly one and one-third million pounds of bluefish, porgies, weakfish, croakers and seabass, which caused all varieties to be extremely low in price during the entire week.

Market cod was quoted at 2 to 4c, and steak cod 4 to 10c. Haddock was quoted at 2 to 3.1-2c. Western white halibut was quoted at 7 to 10c.

Mackerel-Tinkers were quoted at 6 to 10c; bloaters, 25 to 30c, and medium, 10c to a shilling.

Three to 5c was the price of hake.

In all there were 24 trips of bluefish, the total weight being 473,000 pounds, as against 609,350 pounds last week. Bluefish landed last week represented only one-third of the entire catch, while the week before 80 per cent. of the fish landed by the vessels were bluefish. Both large and medium bluefish sold at 3.1-2 to 8c, while small bluefish were quoted at 6 to 8c. The price on snapper blues was 5 to 6c during the entire week.

One trip of codfish reached the market during the week. The catch consisted of 1,200 fish, or 10,000 pounds.

#### Trawlers to Go Back to France.

The stay of the French fleet of trawlers is going to be short in these waters. In other seasons all the vessels continue working the Banks until about December before returning to the home port in France. Since the war broke out, the price of fish has dropped to an alarming degree, which makes it hardly a paying proposition for the fleet to continue in the business. All the trawlers now on the grounds will continue the trip, and those at present in port will make one more visit to the Banks, when all will proceed to France.—North Sydney Herald.

#### Big Herring Catches.

Large catches of herring have been taken recently from some of the waters on the island at Grand Manan. Line fish are also being taken in larger quantities. It is now thought the catch for the season may be an average one.

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## LOCAL RECEIPTS ON THE INCREASE

The following bulletin issued by the Board of Trade shows the amount of fish landed here in July and its comparison with the same month of 1913:

	Pounds.	Pounds.
	1914	1913
Salt cod, .....	2,689,910	3,236,870
Fresh cod, .....	2,596,460	712,921
Halibut, .....	415,003	548,369
Fresh haddock, ..	1,038,225	1,099,835
Salt haddock, ...	478,661	37,026
Fresh hake, ....	732,005	498,710
Salt hake, .....	221,440	81,558
Fresh cusk, .....	320,524	535,090
Salt cusk, .....	62,749	35,007
Fresh pollock, ...	689,018	89,655
Salt pollock, ....	221,251	50,736
Flitches, .....	48,727	25,149

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Fresh mackerel, .....	1,279	114
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Salt mackerel, .....	5,331	685
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Fresh herring, .....	588	
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Salt herring, .....	424	
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Miscellaneous: Shad 380 bbls.; blue backs, 1361 bbls.; butter fish 50 bbls.; cured fish, 3,920 qtls.

#### Halibut Vessels Disabled.

Late in June the halibut sch. Carlotta G. Cox, belonging to the Atlin Fisheries Ltd., grounded in the north, and was taken to Vancouver, where extensive repairs were made. As she was on her way north on July 27 she lost her tail shaft off Sound Point, Milbank Sound, and had to be towed back.

About the same time the schooner Borealis, belonging to the Atlin Fisheries, Ltd., got her machinery disabled while fishing in Alaskan waters. She was towed to Ketchikan, where repairs are now being made.

The steamer B. C. P., belonging to the British Columbia Packers Association, while en route from Tide Rip Islands to the Columbia Cold Storage Company, at Stevenson, B. C., broke her tail shaft in Johnston Straits. She was repaired at Vancouver.

## ONE OFF-SHORE IS HERE TODAY

Arrivals here this morning were also light. One off shore, sch. Titania, from Georges handlining, has 40,000 pounds salt cod for Sylvanus Smith & Co.

Down from Boston are schs. Juno, 80,000 pounds fresh fish, Sadie M. Nunan, 45,000 pounds; steamer Wave 60,000 pounds.

#### Today's Arrivals and Receipts.

The arrivals and receipts in detail are:

Sch. Juno, via Boston, 80,000 lbs. fresh fish.

Sch. Sadie M. Nunan, via Boston, 45,000 lbs. fresh fish.

Sch. Titania, Georges handlining, 40,000 lbs. salt cod.

Str. Wave, via Boston, 60,000 lbs. fresh fish.

Str. Lois H. Corkum, seining.

Str. Thelma, seining.

Sch. Ingomar, via Portland, 75,000 lbs. fresh fish.

#### Vessels Sailed.

Sch. Gov. Foss, halibuting.

Sch. Jeanette, shacking.

Sch. Virginia, drifting.

Sch. Ralph Russell, salt drifting.

Sch. Lillian, drifting.

Sch. Monarch, seining.

Sch. Corona, seining.

Steamer Johanna, seining.

Br. sch. Lavinie, Pubnico, N. S.

Sch. Mystery, halibuting.

#### TODAY'S FISH MARKET.

##### Salt Fish.

Handline Georges codfish, large \$5 per cwt.; medium, \$4.25; snappers, \$3.00.

Georges halibut, codfish, large, \$5; medium, \$4.25.

Eastern halibut codfish, large, \$4.25; medium, \$3.75; snappers, \$3.

Salt trawl bank codfish, large, \$4; medium, \$3.50.

Salt drift codfish, large, \$4.50; medium, \$4.

Cusk, large, \$3; medium, \$2; snappers, \$1.50.

Haddock \$2.50.

Hake, \$1.80.

Pollock, \$1.75.

Flitched halibut, 8 1-2c, 6c and 3c per lb.

Salt medium mackerel, \$20 per bbl.

##### Fresh Fish.

Splitting prices:

Haddock, \$1.10 per cwt.

Western cod, large, \$2.40; medium, \$2; snappers, 75c.

Eastern cod, large, \$2.15; medium, \$1.85; snappers, 75c.

Drift cod, large, \$2.40; medium, \$2.

All codfish, not gilled, 10c per 100 pounds less than above.

Hake, \$1.30.

Cusk, large, \$1.65; medium, \$1.20; snappers, 50c.

Pollock, \$1.

Small pollock, 60c per bbl.

Fresh halibut 7c per lb. for white, 5c for small gray, 3c for large gray.

Large shore herring, \$3 per bbl. for bait; \$2 t freezer; \$1.75 to salt.

Fresh mackerel, 25c each for large, 18c for medium, 5c per lb. for tinkers.

Fresh shad, \$2.50 per bbl.

Fresh halibut, 9c per lb. for white 7c for small gray and 5c for large gray.

Whiting, 60c per bbl.

## CALL CODFISH MARKET FIRM

Says the Fishing Gazette.

Supplies of codfish are light and the tone of the market continues to show firmness. Local trade is on the hand to mouth order entirely, and the volume of it is not heavy. Only small supplies are noted at the principal receiving ports.

"There is no excitement in this market," said the trade's veteran authority this week. "Of course, I don't know what they are doing in Porto Rico," he continued. "All the action there is around the domestic lines of course. There is some life on mackerel in Boston and Gloucester. We are getting plenty of orders from Hayti, but we are not filling them, though others are. They can have the trade," he concluded.

"What's the use of talking codfish in this weather?" said a representative dealer of the New York trade. "Why, I had some specimens of cod from Gloucester, but I had to slap them in cold storage right off the reel to save them. Their backs were beginning to become slimy because of the heat. When the weather cools down I can dry them out again and turn the stock in a way to make a little profit on it."

"The salt fish markets for us are Porto Rico, Cuba and Panama," said the representative of a well-known New York house last Thursday. "We are doing a nice export business on codfish, and have no complaint to make," he concluded.

Salt codfish continue in light receipt and prices are steady. Fresh grounders have been in good supply, and considerable have been sold for splitting, largely small codfish.

Smoked and pickled herring are in moderate supply, and prices unchanged. Advices to the bureau from Lubec reports that some stringing herring are being caught.

Salt codfish, etc., per qtl.: Shore, large, \$7 to \$7.25; medium, \$5.50 to \$6; bank, large trawl, \$6.25 to \$6.50; bank medium trawl, \$5 to \$5.25; Nova Scotia boneless, 10 to 11c lb.; Georges, large cod, \$8; Georges, medium cod, \$6.50; hake, \$3.50; haddock, \$3.50; cusk, large, \$5 to \$5.40; cusk, medium, \$3.75 to \$4; cusk, snappers, \$2.75 to \$3; pollock, \$3.50 to \$3.75; Nova Scotia large cod, \$6.75 to \$7; Nova Scotia medium cod, \$5 to \$5.25.

Salt mackerel, per bbl.: Irish, spring, 300 count, \$9.50 to \$10; Nova Scotia large, count 110 to 125, \$9 to \$9.50; medium, 150 to 180, \$9.50 to \$10 bbl.

#### Halibut at Portland.

Sch. Morning Star, Capt. Harry Ross, was at Portland Monday, with 15,000 pounds fresh halibut, 35,000 pounds fresh fish and 4000 pounds salt cod. The craft was out two weeks, fishing on Western Banks. The steam trawler Spray was also at Portland, Monday, having 100,000 pounds fresh fish.

#### Mackerel Fare at Boston.

Steamer Verna and Esther arrived at Boston during the forenoon with 23,000 pounds small fresh mackerel. The fish sold at 8 cents a pound.



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## SALT MACKEREL JUMP UP AGAIN

Salt mackerel took another jump yesterday, the nine barrel fare of steamer Joanna selling to the Gloucester Salt Fish Company at \$20 a barrel.

The 27 barrel fare of sch. Monarch sold to George Perkins & Son at \$10 a barrel.

### Foreign Salt Mackerel.

Little attention is being paid to foreign mackerel at this time, the Fishing Gazette reports. This is not the time for sales on this commodity—the weather is altogether too warm. The hostilities abroad do not seriously affect market conditions as a consequence.

No receipts of Norway mackerel, after arrival of shipments in transit, are looked for during the European struggle. Norway mackerel are taken from the North Sea, the scene of the big naval engagements of the war. The fishing fleets began the season's catch July 15. It ends ordinarily in September. Even though fishing suffers no interruption, it is considered doubtful whether many mackerel from either of the North Sea or the coast of Ireland can reach this country.

Report on Irish Mackerel by Cablegram.—Liverpool, England, August 15.—Fishing poor. Shipments to America, 482 barrels, none of which is for Boston. Count, 300 to 350.

The foreign receipts of salt mackerel in Boston, Friday, August 14, comprise 641 barrels from Canada and 584 from Ireland. Prices, which are quoted below, are a little higher.

The imports of salt mackerel received at Boston from January 1 to date number 5426 barrels, as against 3037 in the year preceding for the corresponding time.

Liverpool, Eng., August 1.—Report on Irish mackerel: Shipments this week comprised: To Boston, steamer Bohemian, 484 bbls.; Michigan, 100 bbls.

To Philadelphia, str. Haverford, 226 bbls. Total for week, 810 bbls.

Total shipments to date, 1913, Irish autumn, 27,934 bbls.; 1914, Irish spring, 6303 bbls.

### Pensacola Arrivals.

Four vessels arrived from the snapper banks Thursday, discharging 61,000 pounds of snappers and groupers at local fish houses. Two of them brought very good catches, while the other two had fairly good luck.

The catches of the four crafts were as follows: Thomas J. Carroll, 20,000 snappers and 4000 groupers; Francis V. Sylvia, 22,000 snappers and 4000 groupers; John M. Kean, 8000 snappers; Emma Jane, 11,000 snappers.

### Dominion Fish Co. Liquidating.

The Dominion Fish Company, of Vancouver, B. C., has gone into voluntary liquidation and the affairs of the company are being wound up this week. The whole of the company's assets are being sold and it is reported that B. E. Neville and W. S. Neville will organize a new company to carry on business in the old company's premises. F. E. Payson severs his connection with the firm.

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## NEW PIER LOOKS LONESOME TODAY

The Boston fish pier was lonesome of arrivals this morning, but three fares being in at the dock. Steamers Long Island brought 36,000 pounds and Swell, 39,000 pounds. The only sailing craft to arrive was the Genesta with 39,000 pounds mixed fish.

Haddock reached the \$4 mark, while large cod brought \$7 and small \$3 a hundred weight, while \$2 was paid for hake and \$3 for pollock.

### Boston Arrivals and Receipts.

The arrivals and receipts in detail are:

Sch. Genesta, 22,000 haddock, 9000 cod, 8000 pollock.

Str. Long Island, 36,000 haddock, 800 cod.

Str. Swell, 38,000 haddock, 1200 cod.

Str. Verna and Esther, 23,000 pounds small fresh mackerel.

Haddock, \$4 per cwt.; large cod, \$7; market cod, \$3; hake, \$2; pollock, \$3.

### SALMON INDUSTRY MENACE!

The salmon industry in the Columbia River soon will be ruined unless drastic action is taken to protect the fish. H. M. Lornstein, an Astoria, Oregon fisherman, testified before the Federal Industrial Relations Commission.

"The Columbia River is the only stream in the country on which protective laws are carried out on destructive lines," he said. "Fishing below tidewater, and with stationary appliances are the two principal abuses that should be corrected. The annual yield of salmon from the stream should be about six hundred thousand pounds. The present yield is about three hundred thousand pounds. If proper protection were thrown around the fish the yield would double in five years. It would be a good thing to prohibit fishing in the stream for a time, as once was done in Alaskan waters, until more fish can be bred."

Mr. Lornstein said the laws were operated against individual fishermen for the benefit of trappers, seiners and other interests along the stream.

"Certainly the situation is worthy of the most searching investigation," Chairman Walsh said.

### Onward Ho Arrives.

The little steam trawler Onward Ho, Capt. Gill, arrived at the plant of the Columbia Cold Storage Co. at Steveston, British Columbia, July 21, after a lengthy trip from Hull, England. The Onward Ho sailed from Hull on May 2 and called at St. Vincent, Montevideo and Colon for coal. At Montevideo she went ashore, but did not sustain much damage. The vessel is of 130 tons register and is 143 feet long, 23 feet 4 inch beam and 12 feet 5 inch depth. She is now being overhauled at Vancouver and will be converted from a coal burner into an oil burner, after which she will be put in the halibut fishery. She will carry six dories and will also be fitted for long-line fishing. Capt. Fred Frederickson will be her master.

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## SEATTLE COD MARKET QUIET

The codfish market is unusually quiet just now, and will probably continue so until the fishing vessels begin to arrive in August. One Puget Sound dealer, who invaded the San Francisco market a month or two ago, is still shipping to that city, while a San Francisco company, which recently received about 30,000 fish from its one Alaska station, is reported as offering fish on the Sound. However, the market generally is so dull that it is practically impossible to create any excitement in it.

Advices from the East coast are to the effect that the catch of cod to date is very much behind that of former years, and if this continues there will be keen competition in the fall for the surplus catch of this coast. Eastern buyers are already beginning to make inquiries as to prices, etc.

The war which is now in full swing in Europe will undoubtedly benefit our fishermen. The French government has already recalled its Grand Banks fishing fleet, while the Canadian and Newfoundland fleets fishing on the same and other Atlantic banks will be considerably reduced, or withdrawn entirely, owing to the danger of capture by the enemy, or because their men are needed for fighting purposes, with the result that fishing will be largely restricted to the New England fleet, and as it will be unable to supply the great demand which will be made upon it, Pacific cod will have to be bought by the eastern firms to supply the deficiency, with the result that prices ought to go much higher than they did last winter.

The first of the fleet operating in the North ought to arrive the latter part of this month, and, judging from recent reports, nearly all of the vessels will wet their salt, thus insuring the largest catch ever produced from our North Pacific banks.—Pacific Fisherman.

## BANKER ASHORE AT ST. JOHN'S N.F.

Says the St. John's, N. F., Herald of July 6:

The American handliner "Elizabeth" of Portland, Me., ran ashore on the Little Pancake, just inside the narrows, while beating in the harbor this morning. A strong breeze of north-west wind was blowing at the time and in coming to on the South Side she mistayed. The tug Ingraham was at once sent to her assistance and endeavored to tow her off but without success, as the water was falling when she went ashore. She will, however, probably float off when the water rises again. The Elizabeth is now from the Virgins, having left Portland on July 25th, and has on board 200 qts. fish. She sprang aleak on the fishing grounds and the captain decided to run to this port to dock her for repairs.

The craft referred to is though here to be the Elizabeth N. of Bucksport, Me.

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### Nova Scotia Bait News.

Queensport, August 24—Herring plentiful, about 20 barrels squid in cold storage.

Lockeport, August 24—Plenty at Lockeport and East Jordan; few at Sand Point; none at North East Harbor.

Tangier, August 24—Not any herring taken at Mushaboom, Spry Bay, Spry Harbor, Pope's Harbor, or Tangier.

Lockeport, August 22—Plenty at Lockeport, Sand Point, East Jordan and Roseway.

Etli-de-Grat, August 22—Few at Little Ance; some herring at chat.

Sherbrooke, August 22—No herring taken at Beckerton, Fisherman's Harbor, Wine Harbor or Marie Joseph Bay.

Barrington, August 22—Twenty-eight barrels at Wood's Harbor; none at Shag Harbor, Clarke's Harbor and Bacarro.

Queensport, August 22—Herring plentiful; about fifty barrels squid today; squid and herring bait in storage.

Tangier, August 22—Four barrels herring at Mushaboom; not any taken at Spry Bay Harbor, Pope's Harbor or Tangier.

Canso, August 22—Canso, one hundred bbls. squid; no bait in fresh. Half Island Cove, 25 bbls. squid, bbls. herring, cold storage; Queensport, herring plentiful; about 50 bbls. squid today; squid and herring bait cold storage. Whitehead, boats average barrel herring; Cole Harbor, Port Felix, no bait; Larry's River, bbls. herring 6 bbls. Charles C. Goldboro, no bait out today.

Musquodoboit, August 22—Ten barrels herring Owl's Head; 35 bbls. herring Jeddors; 20 bbls. herring Eastern Passage.

### Halibut Sale.

The halibut fare of sch. Paragon sold to the American Halibut Company for 7 cents per pound for white 5 cents for small gray and 3 cents for large grays.

### Good Stocks.

Sch. Corsair, Capt. George G. L. mor, stocked \$450.61 and the crew shared \$98.63 on her last sealing trip.

Sch. Gov. Foss, Capt. Fred Thompson, stocked \$2700 and the crew shared \$69 on her recent shacking trip.

Sch. Arethusa, Capt. Clayton Morrissey, stocked \$2480 and the crew shared \$56.07 on her recent shacking trip.

Sch. Cavalier, Capt. Robert P. stocked \$2017 and the crew shared \$38.32 on her last halibut trip.

Sch. Pythian, Capt. Solomon Jackson, stocked \$3004 and the crew shared \$77. She is auxiliary powered.

Sch. Sylvania, Capt. Jeff Thompson, stocked \$3814.56 and the crew shared \$71 on the last trip.

Sch. Helen G. Wells, Capt. A. S. Surrrette, salt drifting, stocked \$150 and the high line share was \$35. The cook shared \$77.41.

Sch. James W. Parker, Capt. G. W. Tufts stocked \$2342.50 and the crew shared \$46.50 on her recent shacking trip.

Sch. Conqueror, Capt. Robert Giffin, shacking, stocked \$2200 and the crew shared \$50 on her last trip.